# Executive Proclamation
## State of South Dakota
## Office of the Governor

***Whereas***, On November 9, 1920, one William Warren "Skinny" May matriculated into Haakon County, South Dakota, red faced and thirsty, with a keen wit, extraordinary charm, a killer grin, and a quick mind, immediately enthralling his mother and all mere mortals in sight; and,

***Whereas***, Warren raised an outstanding family, a modicum of hell, the standards of counselors and lawyers nationwide, and has become a friend to us all; and,

***Whereas***, Warren is a valued advisor for the lowly, the mighty, the weak, the powerful, and all in between, including: legislators, congressmen and women, governors, courts, judges, juries, persons in prison, and persons who have not yet resided therein. Warren is admired equally by those he represented and those he opposed, as an imminently fair, competent, scholarly, and ingenious advocate and problem solver; and,

***Whereas***, Warren served his country, state, and his community honorably and admirably in many difficult times and situations; and,

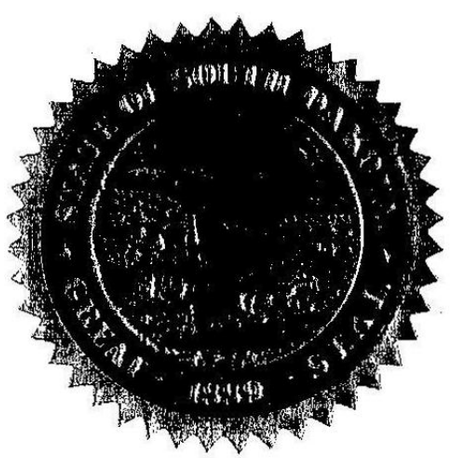
***Whereas***, Warren is reputed to concurrently be the first, second, and third best lawyer in any contest and with his innate shyness, modesty, and self deprecating humor, he will deny all of the above; and,

***Whereas***, Warren will observe his 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 9, 2010, as

## WILLIAM WARREN "SKINNY" MAY DAY

in South Dakota.



***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of November the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State